

NOV-DEC 2014

During November's Membership Meeting/Luncheon, Tiffanie Mai-Ganske, IAR President-elect, installed GIFAR's 2015 Officers and Directors as follows: Larry Pettingill, president; Julie Anglesey, president-elect; Brian Thompson, past president; Jeff Metcalf, secretary-treasurer; Mark Evans, secretary-treasurer-elect; and directors John Tanner, Jackie Kennedy, Connie Clawson, Beth Ferrara, Wayne Harding; Patrick Malone, IAR Director.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the following for their service: in 2014 Tina Miller, past president; Christy Southwick, secretary-treasurer, Janet Mowers, director.

Committee Chairs recognized as follows: John Tanner, Social; Julie Anglesey, Community Service; Jeff Metcalf, Education/Finally Home; Patrick Malone, RPAC; Christy Southwick, Luncheon.

Honor Society Recipients for 2014: Brian Thompson, Patrick Malone, Chris Lee, Ron Clawson.

Kathy Martin, CRS President, presented the following CRS Designations: Julie Anglesey, Chris Lee

Throughout the year luncheon attendees filled out raffle tickets for cash prizes, and the winners for the 3 cash prizes went to the following: \$100, Tisha Pires; \$250, Larry Pettingill, and \$500, Katie Lathouris.

Three prizes, donated by Kathy Martin, were auctioned off for Toys4Tots: Remote Controlled Helicopter for \$100, Janet Mowers; Super Sounds Soccer for \$75, Beth Ferrara; Busy Town Building Blocks for \$50, Jackie Kennedy.

PRIZES:

POST REGISTER ad: Jean Henninger
Color ad from HOMETEAM - Jeanette Hendricks
\$25 Affiliate Prize, courtesy of the Association: Debbie Purcell, TitleOne
HOMESEEKER Ad prize for October - Barry Johnson
HOMESEEKER Ad price for November - Patrick Malone

DATES TO MARK: (at GIFAR Office, unless noted)

- 12-24, 25, 26: Christmas holiday, OFFICE CLOSED
- 1-1-2015: New Years Day, OFFICE CLOSED
- 1-14: SNRRMLS BOD Meeting, 8:30am
- 1-17: Finally Home!, class for first time home buyers
- 1-19: Martin Luther King Day - OFFICE CLOSED
- 1-21: GIFAR Membership Meeting/Luncheon, 11:45am - Catered Your Way
- 1-22: IAR Board of Directors Meeting, Boise
- 1-26: Continuing Ed (see below)
- 1-28: GIFAR Board of Directors, 8:30am (moved from the 21st)
- 1-30: New REALTOR® Orientation, 8:00am-3:30pm

CONTINUING EDUCATION

1-26-2015: *All Are Welcome - Fair Housing*, \$30, 4 ceu, Georgia Meacham, instructor, 8:00am-12noon



Learn the basics of Fair Housing Law: a) review history, b) discuss court cases and recent Idaho violations, c) learn where to find information on compliance, d) discover how enforcements works.

1-26-2015: *Commission Core 2013*, 4 ceu, Georgia Meacham, instructor, 1:00-5:00pm, \$50. This course, developed by the Idaho Real Estate Commission, is required every year (beginning 7-1-14) for license renewal. It covers: a) Case law, b) 2013 legislative updates, c) hot topics including; rules governing copyrights, social media and internet violations, short sale and foreclosure pitfalls. Registration forms will be out soon.

Thanks to all the REALTORS® who assisted during REALTOR® Ring Day December 5th at Sam's Club!

The Staff of the Greater Idaho Falls Association of REALTORS® wishes you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 2015!



Jana Merkley, CEO, Diana Dahl, Mary Ann Keating, Marcia Killian.

APPLICATION FOR REALTOR® MEMBERSHIP

Jack Hoopes	Keller Williams Realty East ID
Jeremy Allen	Re/Max Prestige
Cameron Armstrong	Keller Williams Realty East ID
Jennifer Shipton	Re/Max Prestige
Josie Bolleurs	C21 Greater LandCo
Michelle Watkins	Voigt Davis Realtors
Mary Travis	John L Scott - IDA
Kelsey McNair	Keller Williams Realty East ID

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

Beth Ferrara	from: Keller Williams Realty E ID to: C21 High Desert
Anne Mitchell	from: Keller Williams Realty E ID to: C21 High Desert
Katie Lathouris	from: Keller Williams Realty E ID to: C21 High Desert

MEMBERSHIP TERMINATION

Vance Johnson	John L. Scott-IDA
Cindy Crezee	Bonneville Realty
Cathy Richards	Keller Williams Realty East ID
Mont Jeffs	Keller Williams Realty East ID
Bridgette Stieglitz	Exit Realty
John Nolan	Keller Williams Realty East ID
Mike Rumsey	ROI Brokers, LLC

NEW AGENCY

Chris Lee, broker	simpLEE HOME®
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Finally Home! is now a 5 hour class.

We saw increased attendance in *Finally Home!* classes during 2014 - a very positive sign



Finally Home! has been a great way to educate first time home buyers on the home buying experience. This program has run consecutively since 1999 throughout Idaho.

First class in 2015 will be January 17, 9:00am-3:00pm. Cost is \$20 per person and interested parties need to come to the Board office to register.

Association Membership - 330
REALTOR® members



DUES PAYABLE BY DECEMBER 31, 2014!

Annual GIFAR dues invoices were sent out the first of October and are due by December 31, 2014. **Payments made after the 31st will be assessed a late fee of \$50.**

After January 15, 2015 delinquent members will be shut off from MLS & SUPRA services and will be assessed an additional \$75 re-instatement fee, in addition to above noted \$50 late fee.

CONGRATULATIONS BRIAN THOMPSON, 2014 REALTOR® OF THE YEAR!

At the annual Christmas party held December 11 at Idaho Falls Country Club, Brian Thompson was presented with 2014 REALTOR® of the Year!. Brian has served as president of GIFAR this year and has given much time and effort back to the Association. Congratulation, Brian!



The Affiliate of the Year award went to Amber Gneiting. We thank all of our affiliates for their support in our profession - we couldn't do it without you! Congratulations, Amber!

Many thanks to our REALTORS® and Affiliates for their generous donations to Toys for Tots. Along with donations from the Snake River Regional Multiple Listing Service, John L. Scott and the State CRS Vice President, Kathy Martin, we raised close to \$1200 for this wonderful cause and were able to purchase close to \$6,000 worth of toys for needy children in our area. Your donations will bring a smile to many children in our area who would otherwise not have any gifts under their trees on Christmas. Thank you for your support! The Board Office wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas!

Also, thank you to the fabulous planners for this year's party: John Tanner, chair; committee members Amber Gneiting, Jen Shippen, Jason Anderson, Brittany Kane, Denise O'Brien, Debbie Purcell and Nicole Howell. Thanks again!

IMPORTANT E-MAIL ADDRESSES, PASSWORDS & URLS

chiefeo@gifar.org	Jana Merkley – Chief Executive Officer.
assoc@gifar.org	Diana Dahl - Information and questions regarding Association: Membership, orientation, education classes, Finally Home!
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acctg@gifar.org	MaryAnn Keating - Information and questions regarding bookkeeping: Billing, committee budgets, credits
realtor.com	Public website for MLS listings (*realtor.org can be accessed through this site)
snakerivermls.com	MLS public website containing listings, agency information, etc. If you have questions regarding MLS or Association programs, etc. please e-mail a staff member listed above. The 'Contact Us' option is for the public ONLY.
usamls.net	SEI (NAVICA) Public site for listings
**navicamls.net	Agent website for listing entry.
gifar.org	Greater Idaho Falls Association of REALTORS® website.
idahorealtors.com	Website for Idaho Association of REALTORS®. *Legal forms available.
*realtor.org	NAR public & private website with a variety of links, including AE & NRDS.
irec.idaho.gov	Website for Idaho Real Estate Commission. Information regarding Continuing Ed, licensing, etc.

*Your personal 9 digit NRDS (National Realtor Database System) is required to access realtor.org andidahorealtors.com (just for forms).

InstaNet Tech Support 1-800-668-8768, or, tech@instanetsolutions.com

Navica Tech Support: 1-800-367-8756 (8:00am to 5:00pmEST, or 1-866-571-8922MST)

Navica E-mail Support: support@navicamls.net

Navica Live Chat: Located under Help on the left hand side of the Main Welcome menu

Supra Field Support 1-877-699-6787

*must use NRDS 9 digit number to access - **must use Navica user Password to access

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Greater Idaho Falls Association of REALTORS® & MLS – Fax #	522-7867
Idaho Association of REALTORS®	1-800-621-7553
Idaho Real Estate Commission (free 800#)	1-866-447-5411
NAR Help Line: Mon-Fri, 8:30am-5:00pm Central Time	1-800-874-6500

VALUABLE INFORMATION - KEEP IT IN A SAFE PLACE!